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UNITED STATES TO ACT SOON IN CRISIS DUE TO PERSIA AFFAIR

Official Announcement Made at White House That President and Secretary of State Are Investigating.

CABINET MEETING FOR TODAY IS CANCELLED

Conference Held by Executive With Chairman Stone and Some Members of Senate Foreign Relations Committee

(By Evening Herald Leased Wire)

Washington, Jan. 4.—Official announcement that the government will act in the newest phase of the submarine crisis brought on by the sinking of the Persia was made today at the White House.

Secretary Taft issued this statement for the president.

The president and the secretary of state are taking every means possible to obtain the full facts in this grave matter and will act just as soon as the information is obtained.

In the absence of detailed and specific information on which to base the next step, President Wilson selected the cabinet meeting which was to have been held today, but conferred with Chairman Stone and some members of the senate foreign relations committee.

The president instructed Secretary Lansing to bring immediately to the White House any new information which came to hand and then issued himself reading the official dispatches as far received, and getting in touch generally with the situation.

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There was no indication today of what the prospects were for the United States formally acceding Bulgaria and Turkey of its position on the question of submarine warfare.

It has been proposed that such action should be taken so that none of the central power belligerents could plead lack of official information as Austria did at first in the Ancon case. The course of the United States in that regard will be developed definitely later.

It was disclosed today, however, that some time ago the United States complete submarine correspondence with Germany was sent to the American diplomatic representatives in Turkey and Bulgaria, and also was delivered to the diplomatic representatives of those two countries in Washington.

There were evidences that administration leaders, while not in the least minimizing the dangers and possibilities of the latest complications brought on by the destruction of the Persia, were anxious that the public mind should not be inflamed further while the president and his advisers were trying to suspend judgment and all the agencies of the government were in motion to collect all the facts upon which the next move may be made.

For the first time since foreign relations became delicate during the war President Wilson today conferred with the leaders of the congressional committee which dealt with the subject and it was afterward announced that they were to be advised of the steps and developments in the situation.

This action met the approbation of many senators and representatives who have been contending that in such a serious situation as the present promises to become, Congress should be consulted in any move which may be made.

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Sir John Simon No Longer Part Of the Cabinet Of Mr. Asquith

Secretary of State for Home Affairs Resigns From Government in England; Crisis Far From Ended.

POSITIONS OF TWO OTHERS UNDECIDED

Reginald McKenna and Walter Runciman Will Continue Unknown Quantity in Situation, Which Is Difficult.

(By Evening Herald Leased Wire)

London, Jan. 4.—Announcement was made in the house of commons today of the resignation of Sir John Simon, secretary of state for home affairs.

It again becomes evident that the cabinet crisis is far from ended. Simon had a prolonged interview with Premier Asquith yesterday. The premier did his utmost to induce Sir John to remain in the cabinet but without avail.

The position of Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, and Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, is still undecided. They are making the acceptance of the government compensation bill conditional upon securing a concession to their views on the eventual size of the army.

In this matter Premier Asquith is in an embarrassing position. He is being strongly impelled from the outside to yield this point and it is believed that a majority in the cabinet itself is against their views.

The treatment of Ireland is another thorny problem and the conflicting statements regarding this matter may be an indication of the struggle that may go on in the cabinet this morning. All the papers, both conservative and supporters of voluntary enlistment, agree that Ireland will be excluded from the operation of the bill and that the press association statement that Ireland would be included was inaccurate.

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Enrollment in Schools of the City Increases

Greater December 3 Than at End of Last Year; Interesting Data Given by Annual Report of Milne.

That the enrollment of the city schools was greater on December 3, the end of the school month, than at the end of last year is shown by the annual report of Superintendent John Milne, submitted last night. On that date the enrollment was 2,322, at the end of last year it was 2,309.

The report shows the average daily attendance to have been 2,065, with 223 cases of tardiness distributed among 183 pupils and 502 pupils neither tardy nor absent. Four cases of truancy, by three students were reported, and two students were suspended. Three cases of corporal punishment are recorded, with fifteen fire drills, 59 visits from the superintendent to schools, 53 visits from others, and other interesting data.

The school board, aside from routine matters, transacted little business last night. The feature was an increase in insurance on the high school building.

GOULD SUES FOR A MILLION IN NOTES

(By Evening Herald Leased Wire)

New York, Jan. 4.—George Gould began suit today in the supreme court against the Texas and Pacific Railway company to recover \$1,41,000 on promissory notes which are held by the plaintiff, Edwin Gould, Helen Gould Shepard and Howard Gould, executors of the estate of their father, the late Jay Gould.

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SUNSET SCHOOLS SUPPLEMENT THE NIGHT CLASSES

Women of Martineztown Sensitive, So Special Class Is Formed for Them at First Ward Building.

"Sunset schools" are the latest thing in education, initiated by the local school board, under the supervision of John Milne, head of the local school system, and have proved their success. So much is learned from the annual report submitted to the board of education last night by Mr. Milne.

"The schools," said Mr. Milne, "is being conducted at the First ward building for the special benefit of the women of Martineztown. We found that the proportion of enrollment from that quarter was exceptionally small, as compared with the rest of the city, and we set out to discover why this was so."

Then we asked whether they would attend a special class for them in the afternoon, and they said they would. The result was our sunset school, held in the First ward building, and on no afternoon yet have we failed to have from 15 to 20 of these women present. Sessions are held from 3:30 to 4:30 every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Mrs. T. L. Hatts is in charge. The women learn English, reading and writing, and hear lectures on dress, home management, etc. The fact that Mrs. Hatts is a fluent Spanish scholar adds very much to this work.

At the same hours on the same days, the girls who want to learn to cook are given instruction at the high school by Miss Maude.

We found there were sufficient funds in the night school appropriation to enable us to carry on these classes."

Crew Eager to Leave Steamer Thessaloniki

Men of Vessel Which Has Been at Mercy of Wind and Wave for Ten Days Tire of Struggle Against Plight.

New York, Jan. 4.—The crew of the Greek liner steamer Thessaloniki, which is adrift in the sea, which has been at the mercy of gales and high seas for ten days, are ready to risk lives to reach safety.

Hopkins, who reported about seven miles north of Palme Lake fifteen miles from the scene of the most recent trouble, a high wind was reported from Colorado Springs, shortly after noon the wind velocity began to decrease in Denver and at 1 o'clock was blowing thirty-two miles an hour.

THREE MILES OF WIRES DOWN NEAR MONUMENT

Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 4.—Late reports from the country north of Colorado Springs indicate that there are two miles of telephone wire and a mile of telephone wires down in the vicinity of Monument, eighteen miles north of here as the result of a terrible wind storm that struck this vicinity about 10 a.m. this morning. Wires are also reported down in the vicinity of Easton, 16 miles east of here. Wires across that were sent out to repair the damage have not reported so far the full extent of the storm cannot be learned.

Reports from Monument received shortly before the wires went down indicate that there has been heavy property damage in the vicinity. Houses are said to have been destroyed and it is feared that there may have been loss of life or injury to residents caught in the flying debris.

The wind had reached a velocity of seventy-five miles an hour at Colorado Springs at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon and there was no sign of any abatement in the storm. A number of plate-glass windows in the town district have been blown in. A brick terrace on the roof of the A. P. Sperry paint house went down at 1 o'clock.

KNIGHT IS BADLY HURT WHEN BIKE IS HIT BY AUTO

Struck by an automobile at the railroad crossing at Central avenue, E. L. Knight, collector for the Springer Transfer company, and widely known throughout the city, was seriously injured this morning. His leg was fractured at the knee and the kneecap was torn. The injury to the kneecap is of so serious a nature that it was said this afternoon that Knight was in danger of being crippled for life. It was announced that he would be operated upon at 4 o'clock at the Presbyterian sanitarium. Dr. L. G. Rice is in charge of the case.

Knight was riding a bicycle. The car that struck him was one of the Sherer line of jitneys running to the University. Knight was headed east and the jitney west. It is said that Knight started to cut across the street toward the Kaseman coal yard. Near the yard bicycle and jitney came together. Davidson, the driver of the car, jammed on his brakes when the crash became unavoidable, and although the car struck the bicycle, Knight did not go under the automobile. He was hurled violently to the road, and fell in such a way as to strike with the upper part of his leg and his knee receiving the full impact.

He was taken home and Dr. L. G. Rice summoned. As soon as the physician examined the injury the sheriff placed him in prison to answer to the Persia survivors and to file a complaint. Knight's removal to the Presbyterian hospital immediately.

Adjourned at 2:30 o'clock until noon Wednesday.

General Huerta Is Operated On For Third Time

Ex-dictator of Mexico Subjected to Draining of Intestinal Tract and Is Declared Resting Much Easier.

(By Evening Herald Leased Wire)

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 4.—The third operation upon General Victoriano Huerta to relieve him of fluid in the intestinal tract, due to protracted jaundice, was set for a little before noon today. At this time General Huerta's condition was unchanged.

The operation was performed at the time set. At the conclusion Dr. P. Schuster issued the following bulletin: "General Victoriano Huerta was tapeted this morning for the purpose of relieving him of fluid in the intestinal tract. The operation was more extensive than heretofore and permitted drainage of a larger area. The patient was much relieved and subsequently his pulse and temperature were normal."

The ex-dictator will continue to rest.

As a result of recommendations made by Superintendent John Milne of the city schools to the board of education last night in his annual report, the board decided to hold a three school exhibit at the armory, February 10 and 11. The idea of the exhibit is to give the public a wider acquaintance with the work being done by the boys and girls who are being educated at the city's expense, and the class room work and the thesis they are doing with their spare time.

The exhibit will consist of port

specimens of work done in classes, examples of all sorts of work being scheduled for display, from the color matching of the lowest angles to the chemical department of the senior class of the high school. Special exhibits will be held on manual training and domestic science and art.

The other phase of the exhibit, what the pupils are doing at home, or without institutions, from the teachers' point of view, is to be particularly interesting.

Two boys, members of eighth grade classes, have made wireless telegraph which are to be entered, other electrical apparatus will be shown, and there are many novel exhibits yet to be listed which will form a portion of the exhibition.

It is planned to hold the exhibit Friday afternoon and evening and all Saturday and Sunday evening so as to allow everyone an opportunity to attend and observe.

Certificates of recognition but no prizes will be awarded the best exhibits.

(By Evening Herald Leased Wire)

Denver, Jan. 4.—A wind of hurricane proportions today swept Monument, Col., and vicinity, prostrating telegraph and telephone wires. Scores of poles were prostrated. Telegraph, telephone and railroad companies rushed crews to the scene to repair the damage but at 1 o'clock wire communication between Denver and Colorado Springs was to be had only by circuitous routes.

At Baltimore reports state there had been no loss of life at Monument and property damage was confined to wires and small buildings.

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They remained in their private cabin and proceeded to their home in Dearborn. A public meeting in honor of Mr. Ford is being planned for the near future. The only member of the Ford party who left the train in Dearborn was Rev. Samuel S. Marquis, deacon of St. Paul's cathedral here.

Rev. Marquis said that early tomorrow morning he will don his working clothes and proceed to the Ford factory where he is under engagement for a year to study meteorological conditions among the 30,000 employees of the factory.

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Administrative control of the system would be in a federal farm loan board of five appointed by the president for ten years each. Loans would be made to farmers by twelve or more federal land banks, each operating in a separate district with capital of not less than \$500,000, which would be taken by the government if not privately subscribed.

The land banks would loan to farmers through local associations or borrowers called national farm loan associations. Every borrower would be required to take stock in the association to the amount of five per cent of his loan. A limit of thirty-six years would be placed on loans and borrowers would be required to make small annual payments on principal.

Representative Campbell of Kansas introduced a resolution for the creation of an international federation of nations to preserve international law.

Tribunals were said by several members to the late Justice Lamar and the late Governor Hammill.

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